

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 969

By Gilmore

A RESOLUTION designating March 10, 2008, as “Delta Day on the Hill” in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, a private organization which provides services to promote human welfare, Delta Sigma Theta, Incorporated, was founded on January 13, 1913, at Howard University by twenty-two female undergraduate students; and

WHEREAS, at the present time, there are more than nine hundred chapters of Delta Sigma Theta in the United States, England, Japan, Germany, the Virgin Islands, Bermuda, and the Bahamas; and

WHEREAS, there are twelve college chapters with 204 members and ten alumnae chapters with more than 1,900 members in Tennessee, each of whom is committed to the ideal of “empowering communities through committed services”; and

WHEREAS, Delta Days at the Capitol is an event which was established to enhance the membership of Delta Sigma Theta and the knowledge of the organization’s policy-making process; and

WHEREAS, during Delta Days at the Capitol, events held in Washington, D.C. will focus on race and poverty with specific attention given to the areas of education, housing, employment, health care, and saving and investing; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2008, the statewide membership of Delta Sigma Theta will assemble at the State Capitol in Nashville in recognition of Delta Days at the Tennessee State Capitol, a biennial legislative conference which includes legislative briefings, issue forums, town hall meetings, and advocacy skill development workshops; the event will also showcase the first presentation of the Lois M. DeBerry Servant Leadership Award; and

WHEREAS, this momentous occasion is wholly deserving of the recognition of this Body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby designate March 10, 2008, as "Delta Day on the Hill" in Tennessee, extend a warm welcome to all of the representatives of Delta Sigma Theta, Incorporated, and applaud their many years of service to the highest ideals of the promotion of human welfare and public service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.